THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Upto July, 1987, ONGC have established geological reserves of about 13.20 million tonnes of oil and about 12877 million cubic metres of natural gas in onland and offshore areas of Krishna-Godavari Basin.

(b) Production of oil has already commenced from a well at Kaikalur through Early Production System (EPS) since January, 1987. Another Prospect in off-shore (GS-16) is planned to be put on EPS by the end of 1988.

As regards gas, ONGC has already signed contract with some consumers for supply of about 1.4 lakh cubic metres of gas, a 70 Km gas pipeline is being laid from Narsapur to Kovur to supply gas to the consumers.

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662. **श्री बंश प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस तथ्य की जानकारी है कि उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड, लखनऊ को किसी व्यक्ति को बेचने का निर्णय किया है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

उद्योग मंत्रालय में औद्योगिक विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम. अरुणाचलम) : (क) और (ख) केन्द्रीय सरकार ने निर्णय लिया है कि स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड के लखनऊ एकक की स्वीकृत परिसम्पत्तियां तथा समान दायत्वों को निजी क्षेत्र के किसी अग्रगणी दुपहिया निर्माता को दुपहियों तथा तिपहियों का निर्माण करने के लिए हस्तान्तरित कर दिया जाए ।

Percentage rise in consumption of petrol

663. SHIR SHARAD YADAV:
SHRI J. P. GOYAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of rise in consumption of petrol at the end of 1987 and how does it compare with the rise in the consumption of petrol during the previous years 1985 and 1986;

(b) what is the percentage of increase in the domestic output of petrol by the various refineries at the end of 1987 as compared to the output at the end of 1986;

(c) what is the gap between demand and supply of petrol at the end of 1987 as compared to the gap between demand and supply at the end of 1986;

(d) whether Government propose to import petrol to meet the gap between demand and supply; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) what measures have been taken by Government to increase the domestic output to reduce the imports to the minimum?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) The percentage increase in the consumption of petrol during 1987 as compared to the increase during 1985 and 1986 is given below:

Year	Percentage increase in the consumption of petrol over the consumption in the previous year.
1987	11.8
1986	9.3
1985	10.9

(b) The percentage increase in the domestic output of petrol by various refineries during 1987 as compared to the output 1986 was 134.

(c) and (d) The gap between supply and demand of petrol including inventory requirement was estimated to be 20,000 tonnes in 1987. No import has been made during 1986. Out of the above requirement of 20,000 tonnes, about 15,600 tonnes has been already imported and no further imports are foreseen during the remaining period of the financial year 1987-88.